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Sir:

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

In response to the Office Action dated July 6, 2000, Applicants submit the following response and amendment. Please amend the specification as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

On page 69, line 4, please delete "said" and insert --the-- therefor.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

All claims whether or not amended are presented below for the convenience of the Examiner. Please cancel claim 3 without prejudice.

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